Live News and Fresh Gossip From the Cities and Towns of Virginia.

NAVY YARD **INSPECTED**

Admiral Bowles Goes Over the Government Plant

THE OBJECT OF HIS VISIT

He May Have Norfolk in Mind as a Good Place at Which to Build a Battleship-Two Training Ships Soon to be Built.

" (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
NORFOLM, VA., March 24.—Admiral
F. T. Bowles, chief of the Bureau of pavy yard this morning, and after call-Acting Commandant Crag inthe different departments in mpany with Naval Coustructor Stocker There are two surmises as to the specia object of the visit. One is that Admiral Bowles is here to prepare for the building of the two training ships. The other is that his visit is to ascertain if the conditions be favorable for building of

conditions be favorable for building or a battleship.

Since yesterday a fleet of over one hundred schooners has passed out the capes from Hampton Roads, where the vestels were storm bound. In the fleet were vessels of every description from the one sticker to the six-master. The sight of the moving vessels was a pretty one, many of the schooners had been in the Roads for three weeks awaiting favorable wind.

Charles Petty has been mising ever

able wind.

Charles Petty has been mising ever since December 3, 1902. His body was cast up from its hiding place in Elizabeth River yesterday, and sent to his former home at Oceana, in Princess Anne county, for burial to-day. The disappearance attracted great attention at the time, because the family of the deceased made great efforts to trace him, and because his last companions were two unknown sallors, and there was a suspicion that they had taken some advantage of him. There were no evidences of violence on the body, however, and the coroner, Dr. Kight, announces that the death resulted from drowning. It is the accepted theory that Petty fell overboard and was drowned. He was thirty-eight years of age, a ship carpenter, unmarried and a member of an excellent family.

YOUNG HUSBAND GONE.

John L Gooch left his pretty little wife Sunday a week ago. She has not heard from him since, and she has a suspicion that he may have committed suicide, or at least that has been suggested as an explanation of the prolonged absence of the man whom she loved and to whom the members of her family had become reconciled after she had contracted a runaway marriage with him against their consent. On Sunday week Gooch was seen on the ferry going to Portsmouth. Since then he has not been heard from except that one of his acquaintances thinks he saw Gooch in ble wind. Charles Petty has been mising ever loss December 3, 1902. His body was

went to the state of the married. They returned here, and a few months the parents of the girl were reconciled to the mar-Mr. Braithwaite says he does not the suicide explanation of his son a absence, but he is inclined to that Gooch has become distressed to the says of the escapade of a former wife, a ty girl from Kentucky, who desorted here to go on the stage several s ago, and lost his senses for the

years ago, and hot list sense to the being.

Stove Seelinger's case was decided by Judge Hanckel to-day by an imposition of a fine of \$20 and costs. The case was tried by the judge without a jury on an appeal from a fine of \$50, imposed in the lower court for having a partition in a bar-room that obstructed a view of the rear. The partition was temporary, but it was used only on Sunday to separate the bar from the luncheon counter. Seelinger asserted that the partition was not intended to centeen and did not conceal the sale of liquors, because he did not sell liquors on that Sunday, but was ccal the sale of liquors, because he did not sell liquors on that Sunaay, but was to comply with the law in allowing men to be at the luncheon counter without being in the saloon. The judge decided against that plea, but reduced the amount of the fine. This was a test case to determine whether a saloon may have even a solid wooden partition or not in

Miss Hallis Waddy has been appointed to the position of finance clerk to Captain T. B. Nichols, postmuster. She has given her bond with a guarantee company as surety, and will begin her duties at the positifies on the first of the month. She is the daughter of Colonel John R. Waddy, who died, leaving a large family, mmediately after he had received the appointment to the office of postmaster. The friends of the family are very much tratified at the appointment of Miss Waddy, as she is the support of the family.

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City Engineer Brooke has decided that the new school building to be erected in Chael Street will be safe without pilng. This will save the School Board from 1,500 to \$2,00 of the \$3,500 appropriation and give the board that much more money to be spent on the building proper. Arthur Parati, Italian consul at this port, has received a circular from the Secretary of the Interior of Italy informing him that hides slitped to that country from the United States will be admitted free of sanitary inspection, provided they are accompanied by a certificate insued by the consular representative of Italy at the port through which the shipment is made.

Miss Fannie Capps, of Portsmouth, was a passenger on the steamer Metamora, which sank in the Ocklawaha River, Fla., Thursday night, Miss Capps, with other passengers was rescued by the crew of the boat, who succeeded in breaking into the state-rooms after the rooms were flooded with water. All of the passengers were saved, but two of the crew lost their lives.

HREEWERY RESISTS TAXATION.

Justice Taylor entered a warrant against the Consumers' Brewing Company on the notice of the city tax collector this morning, and fined the defendant \$20 and costs for not paying the lax. The charge is that the breway is doing business in the city without paying the license of \$250 required by the city ordinance. This case came gb before, and had reached the same stags of development, when the brewery carried the case and the trial will come up on its merits in the Corporation Court. The question is, can the city will come up on its merits in the Corporation Court. The question is, can the city of herewery pays a tax to the county? The brewery pays a tax to the county? The brewery is just outside of the limits, but snilvy all the benefits of a location in the sity, and sells its product in the city,

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The county collects \$50, whereas the city wants \$250. The browery stock was formerly held altogether by local capitalists. Now it is owned by Portsmouth and Philadelphia capitalists and by a few Norfelk investors. It is the first time the question of town or county taxation of this character has come before the

of this character has come before the courts of this State.

The Beard of Health has ordered a register for the morgue, which will be in operation within two weeks. The register will prove of the utmost service, not only to the newspapers in obtaining attentite information, but to friends of missing ones. The register will give the name (when known), age, color, marks and a general description of all bodies received. With the register, it will be possible to determine whether the body buried from the morgue is the one for which search is begin made, and prevent the confusion arising from many conwhich search is begin made, and prevent the confusion arising from many con-flicting indentifications. The necessity of such a register is apparent because of the number of unindentified bodies here

TOWN RELIEVED

Americans Recapture the Town and Foreigners Found Safe.

(By Associated Press.)
MANILA, March 24.—The town of Sur igno, in the northeastern part of the isand of Mindanao, which was captured Sunday by Ladrones, was relieved to-day The American officials and foreigners

Sunday by Jadicines, was and foreignors were found to be safe.

Eighty Ladrones, led by ten escaped convicts, participated in the attack on Suringo. They had twenty rifies and forty bolos, and succeeded in surprising and rushing the constabiliary barracks and stampeding the constabiliary barracks and stampeding the constabiliary. Inspector Carke was killed at the first rush. The Ladrones captured eighty rifles.

The American officials, the women and the foreigners sought refuge in the government building, where Treasurer Kelly, a former Indian scout, assumed command, The defenders of the building were armed with shotguins, and refused the summons of the Ladrones to surrender. They held out until the town was relieved to-day by a force of constabiliary sent from Tacloban. The Ladrones fied at the approach of the constabiliary.

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Three companies of United States infanity will reach Suriago to-morrow, and will then probably start in pursuit of the Ladrones. The government forces operating in Albay Proyince, Island of Luzdinave established a concentrated zone in the center of that province, twenty-seven miles long and ten miles wide, and have a series of detachments of troops following the various Ladrone bands.

SULLINS COLLEGE

Dr. R. G. Waterhouse in Charge o Methodist School at Bristol.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
BRISTOL, VA., March 24.—An importin connection with the man ment agrees to assume a debt of some \$10,000 on its own responsibility. The new president and his associates will, it is understood, pay this debt out of their own pocket. Dr. Waterhouse will continue also as president of the well known school of Emory and Henry, at Emory, Va., one of the best known Methodist schools in the conference, being solely for the education of young women.

Dr. N. S. Barker, whom Dr. Waterhouse succeeds as president of Sullins College, has been in charge of the school for three years, and has given eminent satisfaction. His removal is due solely to the finincial arrangement the board was able to make with Dr. Waterhouse, whereby the trustees no longer have to provide for the interest on the debt, not to be responsible for its final settlement.

ISLE OF WIGHT FIRE.

L. Bryant's Store at Carrsville Burned By Incendiary.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) SUFFOLK, VA., March 24.—The store of W. L. Bryant, at Carrsville, Va., was of W. L. Bryant, at Carraville, Va., was burned down early this morning. The blaze is believed to have been started by an incendiary about 4 o'clock. No one slept there, and the flames were far advanced before being seen. Only about 50 worth of the stock was saved.

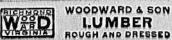
The loss on the stock is \$4,500; insurance, \$5,000. The building was owned by Mr. Rawles and was worth \$1,000 or \$1,200.

Indictments in Alexandria.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

ALEXANDRIA, VA., March 24.—The grand jury for Alexandria county, which was in session this morning and yesterday, reported two indictments against Amos P. Elliott—one on the charge of stealing \$181 from Walker Methodist Church, and the other for stealing \$21 from William Marcey. He was arrested in New York, and was brought back here after a requisition had been issued for him by Governor Montague. Bernard Lewis and Robert Dewey, both colored, were indicted for housebreaking, and Reason Johnson, colored, was indicted for malicious and felonious assault. Dewey waived a jury trial, and Judge Love sentenced him to two years in the pententiary. penitentiary.



METHODIST

Three Hundred Delegates Gather in Fredericksburg.

SESSIONS BEGIN TO-DAY

Rev. W. W. Wagner, of Keyser, W. Va. Preached the Annual Sermon Last Night-Rev. John Hannon to Lecture Friday Night.

(Special to The Times-Disputch.)
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., March 24. generally, in the approaching sessions of dist Episcopal Church, South, which will city to-morrow. The clerical and lay Bishop A. Coke Smith, of North Carowas preached by Rev. Mr. Wagner, of Keyser, W. Va., to-night before the regular business sessions of the conference began. On Tuesday night the anniversary of the Euroday-school Board will be held, and Friday night Rev. John Hamon, D. D., will deliver his great lecture on "Tub Philosophy of Diogenes," On Sunday the ordination of deacons and eldors will be held during the day, there being both a morning and evening session each day. Rev. George T. Tyler is the pustor of the church here.

Homes have been secured for all of the ministers, delegates and visitors, and our people look forward with pleasure to entertaining these "strangers within our was preached by Rev. Mr. Wagner, of

closed for some time, owing to the fact that the owners could not make a satisfactory arrangement with a tenant, has been lessed to an experienced hotel man and will open for business on April 18th, WALKEED SEVIEN MILLES.

Rev. C. L. Potter, of the Methodist Circuit of Stafford county, preached at Now Hope Church Sunday morning, and being unable to reach Andrews Chapel, where he had an appointment for the af-



terncon, owing to the high water in Potomac run, left his horse at a farm house, walked around and crossed the railroad bridge and kept his appointment after walking a distance of seven miles. Mr. Valentine Dannehl, of this city, had two of his toes masked off by an irro har, which fall on his fact. iron bar, which fell on his foot.

Mr. Charles T. Goolrick, of this city, has secured an honorable discharge from the navy and obtained a position with the cedar works at Norfolk.

Mr. R. S. Mitchell, proprietor of Irvington Beach Hotel, at Irvington, who



The Methodist Church, of Fredericksburg, in wi which the Baltimore Conference will

city Join in entertaining the visitors during conference week.

Delegates to the conference commenced to arrive to-day, and were assigned to their homes during their stay in the city. The annual sermon, preached to-night at the Methodist Church by Rev. W. W. W. Wagner, of Keyser. W. Ya., was a strong discourse, and was listened to with great interest by a large audience, in which were many strangers. After the sermon the sacrament of the Lord's Supper was administered. The contennee will meet in business assiston Wednesday morning at 9 o'clock. Rev. Geo. T. Tyler, paster of the Methodist Church here, who is just concluding his second year, has completed his report for the conference, which shows a steady growth

conference, which shows a steady growth of the church in this city.

WASHOUTS MENDED.

The washouts on the Pledmont, Fredericksburg and Potomac Railroad have been mended, and the trains were able to get through to Orange to-day.

The steamer Lancaster, of the Weems



has been visiting his sister here, Mrs. W. J. Flarrison, has gone to Florida for the benefit of his health. G. Billingsley has been Mr. Addis elected general superintendent of the Cool Springs Ice Company, of this city.

The Dan is Falling.

(Special to The Times Dispatch.)
CLARKSVILLE, VA., March 24.—The
Dan is seventeen (set above normal this
afternoon at 6 o'clock, but has commenced to fall.

LIQUOR QUESTION IN FARMVILLE

Saloons Closed Saturday and a Dispensary Will Open To-Day.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FARMVILLE, VA., March 24.—Nover
in the history of Farmville has the liquor question excited so much attention. Nothing but whiskey is being discussed The five saloons of Farmville closed Sat-

BISHOP A. COKE SMITH, Who will preside over the Baltimore Methodist Conference, which meets in Fredericksburg to-day.

Line, ran into the wharf at Leedstown on her last trip from here, injuring the wharf and breaking one of her paddles. The new steamer Middlesex, of this line, due here Saturday might at lock his been purchased, and the line presents an cleetion day with a petition signed by a large number of citizens of Farmville closed Saturaday night at 10:30 o'clock, never to recommend the was some talk Saturday of more of the saloons opening this week, but is repealed by the Legislature.

There was some talk Saturday of more of the was some till guor men went to Lynchburg yestorday to consult their attorney. Mr. Coleman, It is reported he advised them not to open again unless the act is repealed. They are in Richmond to-day with a petition signed by a large number of citizens of Farmville closed Saturday night from the stature of the high water, and had to return to the staturday night from Baltimore, was unable to reach the city on account of the high water, and had to return to Baltimore, and had to return to Baltimore, and here in return to Baltimore, and had to return to Baltimore, and here in return to Baltimore, was unable to reach the city on account of the clift of the pension board, after many of her citizens had declined, with E. A. Bloxton hoard has organized to serve. The new local proposed in the Bappahanneck River is substaining, and whilst the vater was the state of the state of the Legislature will take any action until ceptain will also be presented to both houses, if is not likely that either branch of the dispensary bilt, recovers sufficiently from liness to resume his duties in the large and the part of voters of Parmville closed Saturday on the city of the dispensary bilt, recovers sufficiently from liness to resume his duties in the large of the dispensary bilt, recovers sufficiently from

RANDOLPH

Petersburg Greatly Interested in Its New Hotel.

VERY NARROW ESCAPE

R. W. De Haven, of Petersburg, and Friend Come Near to Being Drowned - Appomattox River is Still Rising.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
PETERSBURG, VA., March 24.—Wo on "The Randolph," the new hotel Peters burg is to have, began to-day. Men are project, and the people generally will do all they can to assist the management in A NARROW ESCAPE.

Mr. R. W. De Haven, a well known real estate agent of this city, and a friend real estate agent of this city, and a friend had a narrow escape from drowning in the Appomattox River this afternoon while returning to the city from Chesterfield county. They attempted to come into the city where the river crossed the turnpike. The river, swellen by the freshot, spreads out over so much space that they lost their bearings, and the horses were heading straight for the river. The crowd on Pocahontas bridge, watching the high water, stood almost breathless, expecting to see the men and the horses swept to their death.

The cries of those nearest the men attracted their attention, and directed by signs, they guided their horses again towards the road. The horses swam, pulling the floating buggy. The water came up to Mr. De Haven's neek, while he held fast to the seat. His friend, standing up, guided the horses till they reached a footing. No injury occurred to the men or the horses.

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It was some time, however, before the crowd who saw them recovered from the excitement of watching what they feared would be an awful accident.

The Appomatiox River is still rising tonight. Prassangers from the Union Station have to use wagons in order to cross River Breet and come up into the city. Thus far no serious damage is reported along the Appomatiox River. The water at Petersburg is very high, but the freshet is not as great as it was expected to be from the reports received yesterday. Unless there is a considerable rise to-night no great damage will be done.

Mr. Grant Eby, of New York, champion pool player of the world, will play Mr. W. H. Clearwater, of Pittsburg, from whom he wrested the championship in New York last winter, at the Ellic Club rooms, in this city, next Friday night, The game will be two flundred balls and will be very interesting. Mr. Clearwater will give an exhibition of finger pool, in addition to fancy and trick shots.

Right Worthy Brother Parker Jones, grand lecturer of Division No. 1, Order of Masons, paid an official visit to Powhatan Starke Lodge of Masons last hight. Elandford Lodge, No. 3, was represented at the meeting. The third degree was conferred upon one candidate. An informal banquet was tendered the visitor after the regular business of the lodge was over.

Robert Woodley, the colored boy victed of housebreaking in the Corpora-tion Court of this city, was sentenced to day by Judge Mullen to serve four year in the colored reformatory, near Rich

Rev. Ernest Stovens, pastor of the Memorial Methodist Church, Lynchburg, and Miss Elizabeth Snead, of Nelson county, will be married in that county to-morrow by the Rev. R. H. Bennett, of Richmond. Rev. Mr. Stovens formerly lived in Petersburg, and is a brother of Messrs, Samuel and W. B. Stevens, of this city. Neal Bradley, a young negro, claiming Florence, S. C., as his home, was probably fathily injured while trying to board a through train in this city has night, the missed his hold and fell beneath the train. He was taken to the hospital in this city, where both logs were amputated.

DAYTON FIRE-SWEPT

Twenty Thousand Dollars Damage in Rockingham Town.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch HARRISONBURG, VA., Mare (Special to The Times-Dienatch.)
HARRISONBURG, VA., March 24.—
The business section of Dayton, a little
town about four miles south of Harrisonburg, was partly destroyed early this
morning by fire. The loss as far as known
is \$2,600, with insurance to the amount of
\$10,300. Owing to the lack of water and
fire apparatus the whole town would
probably have been destroyed, had it not
been that a detachment of firemen from
Harrisonburg with apparatus was sent
to the aid of the citizens of the town.
They soon had the blaze under control,
but not until about eleven buildings, including a church and lotel, had been
consumed. The fire was one of the most
distressing that had ever visited that section. Many people were roused from their
sleep by the noise only to find their
homes in flames. Fortunately no one
was hurt seriously. Several firemen wore
hurned. Sheridan burned Dayton in his
Valley campaign in 1864 because of the
alleged bushwhacking of its/citizens.

IN WILLIAMSBURG

Satisfactory Conference in Regard to Railroad Freight Rates.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WHALIAMSBURG, VA., March 24.—The
committees from the Business Men's Association and from the Retail Grocers' Association had quite a satisfactory con ference with Mr. Macmurda as to freigh rates over the Chesapcake and Ohio Rail vay when he was here last Friday. The nerchants and others are dead in carnest merchants and others are dead in carnest as to this matter, and propose to leave no stone unturned to get lower rates.

The furniture for the new bank has been shipped and will be put in place as soon as received. It is confidently expected that the bank will be in operation by the first of April.

Rev. Thomas Potts, of Danville, is here assisting his brother in a protracted meeting, which began last night.

Rev. It. T. Louthan left yesterday for King William county, where he will be married on the 20th instant.

HEMATITE DEPOSITS

GORHAM. STEVER POLISH

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The Norfolk and Western has commenced work on the depot and turn-table at Cripple Creek, the terminal point of the Cripple Creek Railroad, ten miles from here The Virginia Iron, Coul and Coke Company, who own immense deposits of hematite ores at that point and have been putting in washer plants there, will commence operations about April the 1st.

This opens up one of the largest deposits of brown and red hematite ores in Southwest Virginia, that, for want of railroad facilities, has not been worked to any extent, although the "Little Wythe" furnace was run on these ores for thirty or forty years, and some other small charcoal furnaces were supplied from this deposit. It was not fully developed till the present owners came in possession.

The cotton mills at Freis have comments oversetted.

possession.

The cotton mills at Freis have com-menced operations. One hundred opera-tives from the South passed here recently o work there. Rain has held the farmers back from

spring work. Consequently very little planting has been done. The prespect for wheat is the best in this section that it

Mas been in years.

Joseph P. Vaughan, a sewing machino agent, was badly hurt here Saturday by his team becoming frightened, running away and throwing him out. He was taken to his home in Grayson county

ELLA GRAY'S TRIAL

Charged With Murder of Roanoke Drummer in Abingdon.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
ABINGDON, VA., March 24.-After nearly two days of effort, a jury has been companelled in the case of Elia Baker Gray, colored, one-fourth Indian, for the nurder of C. M. Lester, of Roanoke, drummer for Brooks, Meade & Co., but who turns out to be Melville C. Chester, who turns out to be Melville C. Chester, of Ponnsylvania, on the evening of January 22d last. Only three witnesses were examined in the afternoon. These proved the finding of the dead body, completely and claborately clad, in the front hall of the accused, who had fied, but was soon arrested. The contest to-day has been first over the introduction of the ovidence of the finding from the trunk of the deceased a number of letters from his brother in Fittsburg, Pa., by which he was shown to have traveled under his stage name in Virginia. This the court ruled out. The next and as yet underted outs the five the traveletter of the five th cided contest is over the introduction of cided contest is over the introduction of the articles found on the deceased, in-cluding a number of letters. This the Commonwealth is resisting. L. P. Sum-mers and Daniel Trigg represent the de-fense, and Attorney for the Common-wealth P. J. Davenport is assisted by P. W. Campbell, member of the late Con-stitutional Convention.

IN BUENA VISTA

Board of Trade of the Business Men is Organized.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

BUENA VISTA, Va., March 2i.-Pursuant to adjournment the business men of Buena Vista who met on March 19th for the purpose of organizing a Board of Trade for Buona Vista, met again at the courthouse last night. The report of the Committee on Organization, appointed on March 19th, was brought in and after some immaterial alterations was adopted. It is proposed in plan of organization that the organization shall be known as the "Buona Vista Board of Trade," with the following officers: President first tand second vice-presidents, secretary and treasurer, a Board of Directors, consisting of fifteen members, of which the president and two vice-presidents shall be ex-officio members. The Board of Directors shall have general control of the said organization. bers. The Board of Directors shall have general centrol of the said organization. The advisability of sending delegates to the recently organized Board of Trade of Virginia, which meets in Richmond April 16th, was discussed and laid over until next meeting night, Tuesday, April 7th.

Dr. Harding Leaves Farmville.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch) FARMVILLE, VA., March 24.—The Farmville Presbyterian Church was crowded Sunday night, the occasion being the forward sermin of Rev. Dr. E. H. the farewell sermon of Rev. Dr. E. H. Harding, who has for thirteen years been paster of the church. Dr. Harding will leave Wednesday to make his future home with his daughter in North Carolina. His church tried hard to prevail upon him to remain longer, but no inducement had any effect, as he preferred to spend the remainder of his days with his daughter North Carolina.

Mrs. J. D. Abbitt's Funeral.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)

SUFFOLK, VA., March 24.—The funeral of Mrs. John D. Abbitt, of Handsoms, Va., who died yesterday in Philadelphia, took place here this afterneon from St. Paul's P. E. Church. Mrs. Abbitt, formarly Miss. Lizzle, Lee Deyer, was a bride of just two months.

She was married on a Seaboard Air Line express train between Suffolk and Portsmouth.

The decensed was a daughter of the late Colonel John J. Deyer, and a sister of R. O. Deyer, deputy collector of internal revenue.

In King and Queen. (Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WALKERTON, VA. March 24,—The
second quarterly meeting for the King
and Queen circuit convened in Mizpah
Methodist Episcopal Church in Walker-

Methodist Episcopal Charles in Walker-ton on Monday.

The Donaldson-Schultz pickle company will establish a pickle factory in Walker-ton the coming senson. Mr. Donaldson, of the firm is here, trying to work up an interest among the farmers.

In Oumberland.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
STODDERT, VA., March 24.—Several farmers report their tobacco plants up, and one farmer has them square. As tobacco raising is the important industry the control of the tobacco raising at the first twill require good management to have the land rendy by the time the plants are large enough to be planted out, as the continued rains preyent plowing which was commenced last week.

Rogers-Lanler.

Extensive Operations Started in Southorn Wythe County,

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
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WORKON THE Long sought for, found NEW RECTOR IS CALLED

Newport News Church Hopes to Get Rev. W. M. D. Smith

DEEPWATER RAILROAD

Reports from West Virginia Confirm the Recent Statement that it Will be a Competitor of the Present Coal-Carrying Roads.

(Special to The Times Dispatch.)
NEWPORT NEWS, VA., March 24.—
The vestry of St. Paul's Episopat
Church, which has been without a pastes ols Ribble resigned to accept a call from St. John's Church, Petersburg, has ex-tended a call to Rev. W. M. D. Smith pastor of St. George's Church, Trede-

Mr. Smith spent yesterday and to-day in the city, and left this afternoon for his home. He was favorably impressed, and, although he did not give any definite answer, it is fully expected that he will accept the call.

To-day is the first day of the regular Circuit Court term, but Judge Blackstons missed the beat in Washington last night and failed to arrive this morning. He will be here to-morrow, however, and the court will convene.

DEMPWATER RALLROAD.

DELEPWATER RAILROAD.
Another letter has been received from
Charleston, W. Va., confirming the recent statement that the Deepwater Railroad Company is seeking a Tidewater outlet and is destined to be a competitor outlet and is destined to be a competitor of the Chesapeake and Ohio Railway Company from the Kanawha coal fields and the Norfolk and Western from the Pocahontas fields. The letter is from a well known newspaper man of Charleston, who is said to be one of the best infogmed men in the State on railroad matters. The letter states that the road is undoubtedly destined to become a convention of the Chesapeake and Ohio.

although as yet no one can say where the terminal will be located. Major W. N., Page, general manager of the Gauley Mountain Coal Company, is said to be the leading spirit in the enterprise.

As the result of a raid on Rocketts, made several nights ago by Sergeants O'Hara and Crafford, Rosa Last was fined \$25.50 and \$12.75 for keeping a house of the coal of the co fined 425.50 and \$12.75 for keeping: a house of ill-fame, and \$12.50 for selling liquor on Sunday in the Police Court this morning. Minnie Westmoreland, Dalsy Kline and Annie Nelson, three women arrested in the woman's house, were each put under bonds of \$200 for twelve months.

Sergeant Reynolds to-day arrested E.C. Steward, a young man, who is wanted by the Berkley authorities on the charge of obtaining morkey under false pretenses. The prisoner will be held until an offices is sent for him.

Three descriers, arrested for the train-

Three descriers, arrested for the train-

ing ship Lancaster, were driven through the country this morning to Yorktown, where the ship is anchored.

- OFFICERS CHOSEN. Carrie Chapman Catt Made President

of Woman Suffragists. NEW ORLEANS, LA., March 24.—The principal business of the Woman's Suffrage Convention to-day was the election of officers. These were selected:
Honorary president, Susan B. Anthony, Bochester, N. Y.

Rochester, N. Y. President, Carrie Chapman Catt, New Vice-president at large, Rev. Anna How-

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Germans From the West

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
FARMVILLE, VA., March 24.—German FARMVILLE, VA., March 21. Garman families from the West are locating in this vicinity rapidly. Through land and emigrant agent Sommers, who has his office in Farmville, three families have recently bought desirable farms close to Farmville, and have already moved, their families here. The farms bought by this class of people already are; Colonel Bookers plantation about three miles from town, the price pald was \$3,000; the farm of Lawyer Lancaster, in Cumberland county, was sold for \$3,000 also. The Ligon farm, owned by Mr. Hambet, was sold for \$3,500. Mr. Sommers expects to settle a great many more of his people in Prince Edward county in the near future. Two of the families recently moved here came from Minnesota, and the other from Wisconsili.

Coust Dale, 4; St. Albans, 3.

(Sectal to The Times-Dispatch.)

ORANGE, VA., March 24.—In a very exciting game of these boil here to-day locust Dale defeated the strong St. Albans team 4 to 3 in a twelve-inning contest. Both teams playof fast ball. The batting of Lewis, the pitching of Fitzpatrick, the catching of Curtis, and the base running of Bicdsoc were features for Locust Dale. For St. Albans Mitchell, Lane and Matthews ald the best work, Score by innings:

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Batteries: Locust Dale, Fitzpatrick and Curtis; St. Albans, Matthews and Peep pie.

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ALEXANDRIA, VA., March 24.—The Society for the Restoration of Historic Carlyla house, and will fit it up and preserve it from decay. It will be opened to visitors April 1st. The following are the officers of this society: Mrs. Eleanox Washington Howard, president; Miss Fannie M. Burke, vice-president; Mrs. John W. Herndon, recording secretary! Mrs. Albert D. Breckett, corresponding secretary; Miss Nannie B. Norton, treassurer.

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